3	Manipur .	97	128	595	466	247	182	344	135 (upto Nos. 15)
4	Meghalaya .	NA	NA	NA	4	6	7	3	13 (upto Oct.)
5	Mizoram .	15	18	7	0	0	0	4	(upto Nov. 15)
6	Nagaland .	16	67	105	141	105	192	135	39 (upto Nov. 15)
7	Tripura .	38	69	198	240	67	99	211	222 (upto Oct.)

NA—Not Available

Panel on police Reform

1908. PROF. VIJAY KUMAR MALHOTRA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Supreme Court has asked Government to set up panel on police reforms;

(b) whether Independent Review Committee has been constituted to go into the recommendations of the Police Commission Report as well as the NHRC's suggestions to free the police from excessive political control; and

(c) if so, the details in this regard and if not, the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) and (c) Pursuant to the directions of the Supreme Court dated the 20th July, 1998, the Committee constituted by the Government submitted its first Report which has been sent for being filed in the Supreme Court as directed by it.

Freedom Fifihters Pension

1909. SHRI GOVINDRAO ADIK: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have assessed the position regarding pending pension cases of freedom fighters' under the central scheme;

(b) if so, the details of pension cases settled during the last three years with State-wise break up and cases pending particularly from Maharashtra, as on 30th June, 1998;

(c) the details of steps/proposed for clearance of these cases;

(d) the State-wise expenditure under the scheme for the past five years, year-wise and State-wise and provision for the current year; and

(e) the details of proposal under consideration for enhancement of pension to freedom fighters?

THE MINISTER OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI L. K. ADVANI): (a) to (c) As on 3-11-1998, no fresh application, duly verified and recommended by the State Government, for grant of pension under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman Pension Scheme, was pending with the Central Government for consideration.

A statement indicating the number of cases in which pension was sanctioned during the last three years, i.e., 1995-96, 1996-97 and 1997-98, State-wise, is enclosed. (See below)

(d) The expenditure incurred under the Swatantrata Sainik Samman pension Scheme during the past five years was as under:—

Year	Expenditure (Rs. in crores)
1993-94	89.89
1994-95	103.30
1995-96	133.40
1996-97	133.27
1997-98	177.51

State-wise information is not maintained.

The budget provision for the current financial year is Rs. 180.00 crores.

(e) No such proposal is under consideration. It may be mentioned that the amount of pension available to freedom fighters was doubled with effect from 15.8.1997. Pension has also been linked to price-index. Dearness Relief @7 per cent of pension was granted to freedom fighters in receipt of pension from the Central Revenues with effect from 1.8.1998.

Statement

State-wise details of cases in which the Sammen Pension has been sanctioned during 1995-96) 1996-97 *and* 1997-98.

		1995-96	1996-97	1997-98
1	2	3	4	5
1.	Andhra Pradesh	82	91	28
2.	Arunachal Pradesh	00	00	00
3.	Assam	02	16	00
4.	Bihar	33	45	168
5.	Goa	06	00	00
6.	Gujarat	20	05	00
7.	Haryana	07	25	06
8.	Himachal Pradesh	17	15	04
9.	Jammu & Kashmir	01	03	20
10.	Karnataka	30	24	08

1	2	3	4	5
11.	Kerala	10	06	06
12.	Madhya Pradesh	04	07	07
13.	Maharashtra	47	33	19
14.	Manipur	00	00	00
15.	Meghalaya	00	00	00
16.	Mizoram	00	00	00
17.	Nagaland	00	00	00
18.	Orrisa	15	08	05
19.	Punjab	10	20	16
20.	Rajasthan	05	04	04
21.	Sikkim	00	00	00
22.	Tamil Nadu	04	06	06
23.	Tripura	00	00	00
24.	Uttar Pradesh	31	31	23
25.	West Bengal	22	05	10
26.	A & N Islands.	00	00	00
27.	Chandigarh	01	00	00
28.	Dadra & Ngr. Hav.	00	00	00
29.	Daman & Diu	00	00	00
30.	Delhi	09	01	06
31.	Lakshadweep	00	00	00
32.	INA	57	121	152
33.	Pondicherry	01	00	00
	TOTAL :	414	465	488

Criminal behaviour of Police

1910. SHRI C. O. POULOSE:
SHRI E. BALANANDAN:

Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware that over 50 per cent of all complaints to the National Human Rights Commission concern criminal behaviour by the police;

(b) whether Government are also aware that innumerable studies of crimes against women, dalits, tribals and vulnerable people in rural areas indicate that the police oppress the population;

(c) whether the National Police Commission (NPC) which was set up over 20 years ago had dealt with these problems and made some recommendations; and

(d) if so, the details of the recommendations?